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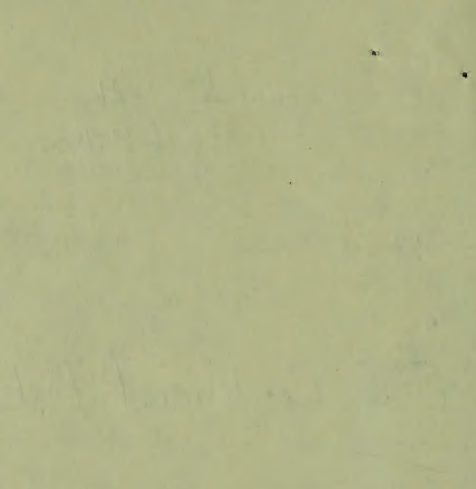
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City OKs \$3.37M park bid

By JOHN HARRINGTON Independent Record | Posted: Tuesday, May 4, 2010 12:55 am

The renovation and expansion of Centennial Park is set to proceed after the Helena City Commission on Monday night authorized a \$3.37 million contract with Helena Sand & Gravel for the first phase of the ambitious recreation plan.

City officials turned down — for now — a request from a local runners' group to keep a parallel, gravel trail in the design next to the planned paved trails.

The Helena Vigilante Runners said the proposed trail of decomposed granite is more suitable for their workouts, as well as cross-country competitions held either by the group or Carroll College.

The asphalt trail is preferred by non-motorized transportation groups, who see the trail through the park as a vital north-south connector between the existing Centennial Trail and downtown. City officials said the asphalt trail is easier to maintain year-round and can be used by a wider variety of recreationists.

The gravel running surface was one of three "alternates" that was left off an original list of 11 possible additions to the base bid. The others were drainage for the softball diamond, which the local softball association said wasn't a huge priority, and additional lighting.

While the commissioners sought a way to include a gravel running surface, they were hesitant to add the \$42,000 cost (per HS&G's estimate) to the final package.

Suggestions were floated to grade a wider space next to the asphalt but not install a formal trail, or to look for another place in town for a gravel trail network.

"We ought to go ahead, but keep the concept alive and see if we can roll it into Phase 2," said Mayor Jim Smith.

In addition to federal stimulus money, which goes away if it's not put to use by later this year, the park improvements will be funded by a \$7.85 million bond offering approved by voters in 2007.

While the amenities of the park — which will eventually include a dog park, picnic area, mountain bike skills course, soccer fields, bouldering facility and more — will be built in phases, almost all of the ground-moving and utilities will be completed in this first phase, even for parts of the park that won't be finished for years.

Parks and Recreation Director Amy Teegarden described it as building "ground up" rather than in sections.

"Basically, once we build the ground of the park we don't want to have to disturb it anymore," Teegarden said.

The park's softball diamonds will be completed in this first phase, along with all earth work, drainage, electricity, city water, trails, fences and parking.

When complete the usable space at the park will be increased from the current 20 acres to nearly 60.

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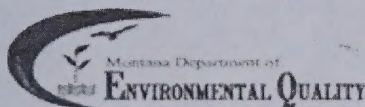
Todd,

Thanks for the notification.
 The deviation for installation in those areas is approved.
 Please include the deviation info in the QA/QC report.

Tim

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Mary and Tim,

Yesterday, we hit some more garbage at the site. This time it was at two locations near the north end of the new YMCA parking lot. One location is along a storm drain trench, the other was at the bottom of a light pole base. We have proceeded in accordance with the details of the post-closure plan utilizing GCL and fine grained material as pipe bedding/backfill. Also, all removed waste has been hauled to the transfer station. We have documented the location and materials used to repair the areas.

Please let me know if you require anything further.

Thanks;

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